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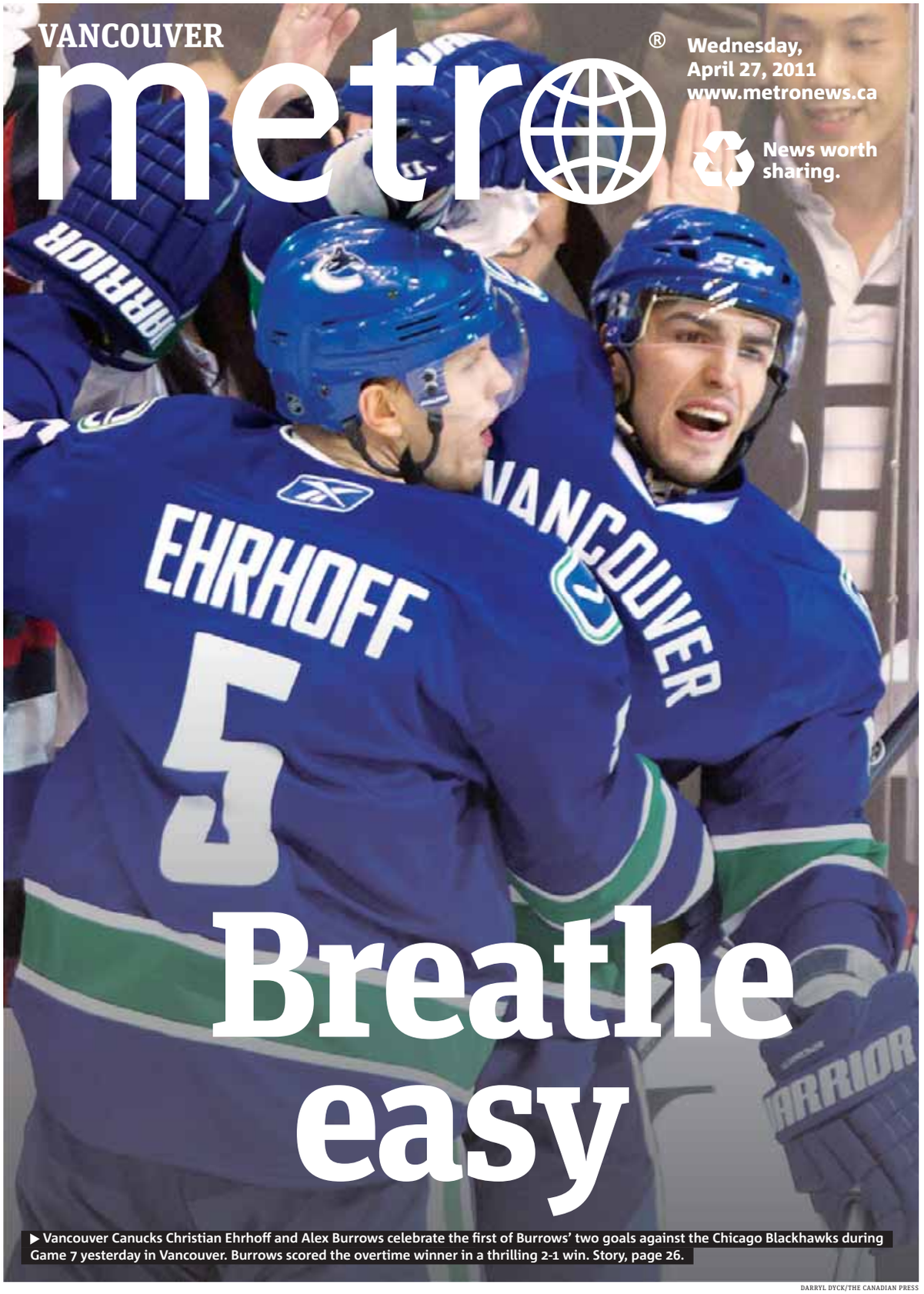

Breathe easy

▶ Vancouver Canucks Christian Ehrhoff and Alex Burrows celebrate the first of Burrows' two goals against the Chicago Blackhawks during Game 7 yesterday in Vancouver. Burrows scored the overtime winner in a thrilling 2-1 win. Story, page 26.

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Craigslist scam doesn't cheque out

Police have narrowed down a Craigslist scam to a Lower Mainland man who RCMP say was unwittingly distributing phony cheques.

The suspect had posted a "job wanted" ad on Craigslist and he was contacted by a person offering a position as a payment processor, said RCMP Const. Michael McLaughlin.

Over several weeks, the unaware suspect created hundreds of cheques.

"These cheques were then sent to victims," McLaughlin said.

"Sadly, the cheques are worthless and leave the depositor responsible for full repayment along with any associated bank fees and penalties."

McLaughlin warned the public that this kind of scam is not unique.

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MICHAEL BUCKNER/GETTY IMAGES

▶ Amber Webber of Black Mountain

Local bands join lineup

The lineup for the LIVE at Squamish festival, Aug. 20 and 21, continues to grow as concert organizers yesterday announced the addition of local rockers Black Mountain and Guilty About Girls as well as Calgary's The Dudes.

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▶ Lee Carter and husband Hollis Johnson speak to media yesterday after joining the B.C. Civil Liberties Association in a lawsuit aimed at making medically assisted dying legal in Canada.

Fighting to 'die with dignity'

BCCLA, advocates launch suit challenging assisted suicide laws ◐ Family named in suit travelled to Switzerland to help terminally ill mother die

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The B.C. Civil Liberties Association says it's time to change the country's laws to allow for medically assisted deaths for the terminally ill.

And to make sure the issue gets a serious look, the BCCLA filed a lawsuit in B.C. Supreme Court yesterday to challenge the current laws.

"Every Canadian deserves a choice in dying," said Grace Pastine, the BCCLA's litigation director. "Inflicting unbearable suffering on individuals, on dying patients, who wish to end their lives is unjust, unacceptable and unconstitutional."

The right to death debate isn't new.

In 1993, Sue Rodriguez lost her legal battle with the Supreme Court of Canada in a close 5-4 decision.

Pastine said a lot has changed since then, namely a "groundswell" of public opinion and the emergence of medically assisted dying legislation in many other countries and states, including Washington and Oregon.

"The time has come to bring this issue back to the court; there has been a profound shift in social thinking on these issues," Pastine said. "We absolutely think the outcome will be different this time."

Lee Carter and her husband, Hollis Johnson, have also joined the lawsuit.

They say they were forced to travel to Switzerland to allow Carter's gravely ill mother to "die with dignity."

Carter says her mother, Kathleen, would have been thrilled to see medically assisted dying legalized in Canada.

"It would be a tremendous victory for her," said Carter.

Pastine said the lawsuit is unlikely to end at the B.C. Supreme Court, and they are willing to go all the way to the Supreme Court of Canada.

Dix names shadow cabinet

Adrian Dix placed his former leadership rivals into key critic positions yesterday as the leader of B.C.'s New Democrats unveiled his shadow cabinet.

Mike Farnworth was appointed health critic, while John Horgan was named deputy house leader and critic for energy and mines.

Other key appointments included Bruce Ralston as finance critic and Robin Austin as education critic.

Former leader Carole James was not given a role in the shadow cabinet, while interim leader Dawn Black was designated the assistant deputy speaker. METRO

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▶ Adrian Dix

News in brief

Campaign goes to court

FALSE REPORTS. West Vancouver Liberal candidate Dan Veniez is taking on his Conservative rival John Weston in court. Veniez filed a notice of civil claim for defamation against Weston. METRO

CIS is A-OK with UBC

LEADERSHIP. The University of British Columbia announced yesterday that it remains committed to Canadian Interuniversity Sport (CIS) and will not join the U.S.-based NCAA like Simon Fraser University has. Instead, UBC president Stephen Toope said the school would attempt to reform CIS from the ground up. METRO

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▶ Gail Harmer from the Council of Senior Citizens of B.C. outside the Cardero Street temporary shelter yesterday advocating for Premier Christy Clark to reinstate funding for three shelters scheduled to close this week.

Homeless activists to build tent cities

Three temporary shelters slated to close by Friday

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Homeless advocates and residents will be setting up tent cities outside three Vancouver shelters slated to close this week in an effort to pressure the city and province to keep them open.

Over the next three days, temporary shelters at Cardero, Howe and Fraser streets will shut their doors. The Cardero location was the sixth shelter opened under the city's Homeless Emergency Action Team (HEAT) established in 2008.

"We want (Mayor Robertson) to cancel his office renovations and every other expense at city hall that isn't necessary in order to pay to keep these shelters open," said Wendy Pedersen of the Carnegie Community Action Project.

Chase, a resident at the Cardero shelter, is afraid he'll end up back to where he started.

"(The shelter has) given me a chance to turn my life around and get off the streets to stop from selling drugs."

But Coun. Kerry Jang said the city and B.C. Housing have been helping get people from the shelters into alternate forms of housing.

"Everybody knew — the shelter users, the operators and the neighbourhood — that there was a clear start and end date for the shelters. There are no surprises there."

EXERCISE

Kids most idle after school, says report

B.C. kids are not getting their needed daily dose of exercise, says a new report.

The 2011 Report Card of Active Healthy Kids Canada notes that children and teens get a mere 14 minutes (out of a possible 180 minutes) of moderate-to vigorous-physical activity during after school hours.

Don Hunter of Active Healthy Kids Canada said parents should encourage their kids to play outside, walk or cycle to school and limit their computer, video game and television screen time.

He said physical activity may prevent children from health risks such as chronic and cardiovascular diseases, certain cancers and diabetes.

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Municipal crime fighters

Civic employees in Surrey will soon be adding "crime fighters" to their job descriptions.

Mayor Dianne Watts and CUPE–BC announced the City Watch program yesterday, which trains city employees to observe suspicious activity and report crime they may come across in their everyday duties.

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ADD Benelux Rail Pass from $230.

London Air + First 2 Nights — from $569 + taxes & fees $475
INCLUDES central accom with breakfast.
UPGRADE to 4-star from $22 per night.
ADD 3-day BritRail England Flexipass from $207.

Turks & Caicos
Air + 7 Nights — from $898 + taxes & fees $146
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Thailand Air + 8 Nights — from $989 + taxes & fees $346
INCLUDES 2 nights central Bangkok accom and 6 nights Karon Beach accom in Phuket. **UPGRADE** to 4-star Phuket accom from $19 per night.

Paris Air + 7 Nights — from $1099 + taxes & fees $423
INCLUDES central 3.5-star accom with breakfast daily.

Rio de Janeiro
Air + 7 Nights — from $1299 + taxes & fees $446
INCLUDES accom near Copacabana Beach.
UPGRADE to 5-star accom from $19 per day.

Buenos Aires
Air + 7 Nights — from $1389 + taxes & fees $493
INCLUDES accom near the Obelisk.
ADD dinner and tango show from $125.

USA

Las Vegas
Air + 4 Nights
from **$249**
+ taxes & fees $112
INCLUDES accom on the strip. **UPGRADE** to 4-star accom from $15 per night.

San Francisco
Air + 3 Nights — from $449 + taxes & fees $95
INCLUDES accom near sights and attractions.
ADD Golden Gate bay cruise from $18.
UPGRADE to 4-star accom from $62 per night.

Honolulu Air + 6 Nights — from $649 + taxes & fees $141
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Family Vacations

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Orlando Air + 4 nights — from $555◊ + taxes & fees $168
INCLUDES accom near theme parks. Price per person based on family of 4. **UPGRADE** to 4-star Mona Lisa Suites Hotel from $21 per night.

Cruise & Stays

Las Vegas
Air + 4 Nights + 4-Night Cruise — from $699 + taxes & fees $139
INCLUDES cruise to Los Angeles from Vancouver visiting Victoria, air to Las Vegas, 4 nights accom on the Strip and air to Vancouver.

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Air + 3 Nights + 7-Night Cruise — from $819 + taxes & fees $175
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Eastern Caribbean
7-Night Cruise — from USD $454 + taxes & fees USD $107
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ASBESTWHAT?

Thou shalt not speak its name

Neither the name of a cancer-stricken Conservative colleague nor the word asbestos passed Stephen Harper's lips yesterday as he defended Canada's export of the deadly carcinogen that has afflicted Transport Minister Chuck Strahl.

Instead, Harper used a campaign stop in Asbestos, Que., to promote his party as a stout promoter of a dying industry.

"The only party that defends the chrysotile industry is our party, the Conservative party," Harper said in French, at a seniors' home 150 kilometres outside Montreal.

Chrysotile is the name used by the government-funded industry lobby group. The Chrysotile Institute promotes white asbestos and attempts to soften laws restricting or banning its use.

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Activist seeks G8 report

A Toronto woman has launched a lawsuit in Federal Court in an effort to get the auditor general's report on G8 spending released before next week's election.

Kathleen Trotter, who is a member of the global activist group Avaaz, is seeking the final version of Sheila Fraser's report on the G8 Infrastructure Fund. Fraser's office has said it can't be released.

A draft copy of the report obtained this month by The Canadian Press said the government misinformed Parliament to win approval for a $50-million G8 fund that lavished money on Industry Minister Tony Clement's riding.

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Imagine all the people voting NDP

ANDREW VAUGHAN/THE CANADIAN PRESS

▶ NDP Leader Jack Layton waves from the steps of his campaign plane as he arrives in Toronto yesterday.

In new ad Layton says he won't stop until job done ◐ NDP up in polls

Election 2011

Jack Layton is no John Lennon, but the piano-playing, left-leaning NDP leader is nonetheless urging Canadian voters to explore the boundaries of their political imaginations.

The party's latest ad, titled Imagine, urges viewers to think seriously about making a prime minister of Layton — a man whose party has never had the heft to genuinely challenge the Liberals or Conservatives.

It's a dramatic departure from the usual fare of animated cut-outs and low-budget Tory bashing, another clear sign that with opinion polls suggesting a surge in popularity in Quebec and elsewhere, the NDP is in unfamiliar territory.

No one, it seems, knows that better than their leader.

"I'm a New Democrat," a pragmatic-sounding Layton said yesterday in Montreal, when confronted with the reality that more votes may not mean more seats.

"We're used to ... having people come and be interested in our ideas, but then because of our current electoral system we don't get the number of seats that are warranted by the percentage of vote that we get." THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Sniper victims lie scattered in Syria after raid

Army kills at least 22 people in latest raid World leaders ask authoritarian to show 'restraint'

Residents of the southern Syrian city of Daraa braved sniper fire yesterday to pull the bullet-riddled bodies of the dead from the streets and hide them from security forces, a day after a brutal government crackdown on the popular revolt against President Bashar Assad, witnesses said.

As heavy gunfire reverberated through Daraa, a Syrian human-rights group said authorities detained dozens of people across the country, mainly in several Damascus suburbs, including the town of Douma, and in the northern coastal city of Jableh.

The Syrian army, backed by tanks and snipers, killed at least 22 people in a raid launched before dawn Monday on Daraa, where the uprising began more than a month ago. Forces also conducted raids in the towns of Douma and Jableh.

World leaders expressed concern at the mounting bloodshed, with the United States starting to draw up sanctions against Assad, diplomats hoping to send a strong signal to Damascus from the United Nations and the prime minister of neighbouring Turkey telephoning the Syrian leader to urge restraint.

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400

A relentless crackdown since mid-March has seen more than 400 people killed, with 120 dead over the weekend, rights groups said.

Remembering. Chornobyl

▶ Ukrainian President Viktor Yanukovych, right, and Russian President Dmitry Medvedev ring bells at a Chornobyl commemoration in Ukraine yesterday.

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Defending nuclear power

Tough new guidelines could help prevent accidents like the massive Chornobyl meltdown, Russian President Dmitry Medvedev said yesterday, defending nuclear energy during a solemn commemoration of the worst nuclear accident in history. Ukrainian President Viktor Yanukovych also took part in the service.

News in brief

Former pope to be blessed

BEATIFICATION. Blood taken from Pope John Paul II during his final hospitalization will be used as the official relic for veneration after he is beatified. With the statement, the Vatican put to rest questions about what relic would be presented in Sunday's ceremony. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

EU centre still divided

FALL. Belgium marked an anniversary yesterday, but no one is celebrating. One year ago, King Albert II accepted the resignation of the government. The search for a new governing coalition is still on. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Defence cuts could affect service stipend

- Allowance changes prompt fear of benefit chop
- Service people worry funds may be eliminated

National Defence has changed a cost-of-living allowance for tens of thousands of soldiers, sailors and aircrew, prompting fears the deficit-slashing Harper government will eliminate it altogether.

A spokesman for the department's senior policy section denies the benefit will be scrapped and maintains changes to the Post Living Differential Allowance are administrative.

But the $150-million-a-year expenditure is a fat target for Defence, which was to restrain costs by $500 million this year and $1 billion in each of the following two years under the latest federal budget.

"Learn to live without it because it'll be gone within a year."
SOME SAILORS WERE TOLD LAST WEEK AT CANADIAN FORCES BASE HALIFAX

The benefit used to be included with military paycheques in high-cost cities, but it has been deposited separately since April 1.

Senior non-commissioned officers at several bases have warned the rank and file that this is the first step toward possible elimination of the assistance altogether.

An internal memo reminds those in uniform that the stipend, based on region and the economy, was meant only as a cushion against high cost.

A leaked memo said not to "include PLD as income when making financial commitments."

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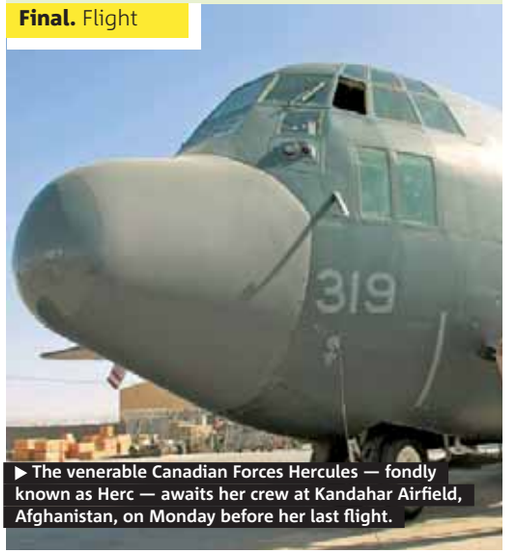
Final. Flight



▶ The venerable Canadian Forces Hercules — fondly known as Herc — awaits her crew at Kandahar Airfield, Afghanistan, on Monday before her last flight.

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Hercules' final voyage

It has been flying soldiers and all kinds of cargo to and from war zones around the world since the Beatles wanted to hold your hand. Now the CC-130 Hercules-H, a Canadian air force mainstay, is making its last journey home from Afghanistan, where it has performed almost 10 years of service.

WikiLeaks shows bias: Muslim group

New WikiLeaks documents that describe a Montreal mosque as a terror hub are defamatory, says a local Muslim spokesman.

The newly leaked U.S. documents claim a Mauritanian terror suspect being held at Guantanamo Bay was the leader of a Montreal-based al-Qaida cell that planned terror attacks in the United States.

The secret documents, released by WikiLeaks on its website last weekend, also claim that members of al-Qaida were recruited and trained at Montreal's Al Sunnah Al Nabawiah Mosque, where the terror suspect served briefly, possibly as an imam.

But the chairman of the Muslim Council of Montreal said the documents serve as an example of how the community's institutions are unfairly targeted by authorities.

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Copper declared ‘the new gold’

Demand for the hottest metal on the market is only going to get hotter as demand exceeds rare supply

More big miners are expected to follow the world’s largest gold company into the copper sector as its price soars in response to China’s growing hunger for the metal.

Canada’s Barrick Gold Corp. took a bold step into copper on Monday with a $7.3-billion bid to acquire Equinox Minerals Ltd.

Copper is likely to hover at record prices for the next few years, because there isn’t enough supply in the world to feed China’s demand for the metal used in electric cables, cars, cellphones and trains, says Patricia Mohr, commodities specialist at Scotiabank.

Market moment

PRICES AS OF 5 P.M. YESTERDAY

TSX	Dollar
+ 1.78 (13,909.1)	+ 0.30¢ (105.06¢ US)
Oil	**Natural gas**
– 7¢ US ($112.21 US)	1,000 cu ft $4.39 US (– 1¢ US)
	Gold contracts $1,503.50 US (– $5.60 US)

The price of copper closed at $4.32 US yesterday, below the record of $4.60 set in February. But Mohr said copper is still bringing in “huge” profit margins of 70 per cent and more, while other metals bring in about 50 per cent.

“That’s why I’ve been calling copper the new gold,” she said.

The number of viable gold mines is thinning out, so gold miners have to look to other metals to grow their business. Mohr said opportunities to buy established copper miners are rare, and many firms could start bidding wars to get their hands on one.

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Nifty. Technology

▶ Sony unveils its S1, left, and S2 prototype computer tablets in Tokyo yesterday.

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS/KYODO NEWS

New tablets are ‘uniquely Sony’

Sony Corp. is planning a tablet computer it promises will make the best of its “saku saku,” or nifty, technology. The tablet, code-named S1, comes with a touch pad similar to Apple’s iPad. Sony also has a smaller S2 prototype. Both run on Android 3.0. The release date is in September, but there’s no word yet on prices.

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LEFT, RIGHT OR MIDDLE — IT'S YOUR CHOICE

JUST SAYIN ...

PAUL SULLIVAN
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I am Canadian.

Thanks to a certain beer commercial, you already know what that means.

I vote with my heart since my head is only good for parking one of those hats with earflaps.

When I was very young, I voted NDP.

Then, one day I got tired of wasting my vote, so I voted for Pierre Trudeau, even though he thought the West was something you flew over on the way to visit Margaret's parents in Vancouver.

Even though he flipped off Prairie farmers and launched the National Energy Program, which is why no Liberals get elected in Alberta to this day.

I had a brief moment of remorse and voted for Joe Clark, the favourite son of High River, Alta. But as Progressive a Conservative as Joe was, he was still a long way from Ed Broadbent.

So I went back and wasted my vote for another couple of elections. Don't blame me for Brian Mulroney. I voted NDP.

"I grew up in the geographical centre of Canada, Winnipeg, and from there, you can see both sides. Winnipeg elects a lot of Liberals, who can also see both sides."

Then I surprised myself and voted for Kim Campbell, even if she was going out with a guy who was trying to sell running shoes with springs in them. Of course, she was crushed by the Little Guy/petit gars from Shawinigan, and so at the next available opportunity, I went Little Guy, even though there was really nothing little about him. Especially his ego.

By the time Jean Chrétien was ushered off the stage, I had settled into a Liberal voting pattern, which is probably where my heart belongs. I grew up in the geographical centre of Canada, Winnipeg, and from there, you can see both sides. Winnipeg elects a lot of Liberals, who can also see both sides.

Liberals are often accused of riding the fence, and that was certainly Paul Martin's problem — he spent his brief reign impaled on a picket, but I voted for him anyway.

So here we go again.

Stephen Harper? Can't sing. Never trust anyone who is a semi-tone flat but insists on singing in public anyway. Karaoke hog.

Jack Layton? Can't count. If we give him the keys to the Canadian economy, he will take it for a joyride until it runs out of gas.

Elizabeth May? Can't get elected. It's like voting Rhinoceros, just not as much fun.

My heart says to vote for Michael Ignatieff, who is one of the most well-educated guys ever to run for prime minister, but I guess summa cum laude doesn't get you to Sussex Drive.

I am Canadian. It doesn't really matter if my choice wins. What matters is that I vote, because I can.

Read more of Paul Sullivan's columns at metronews.ca/justsaying

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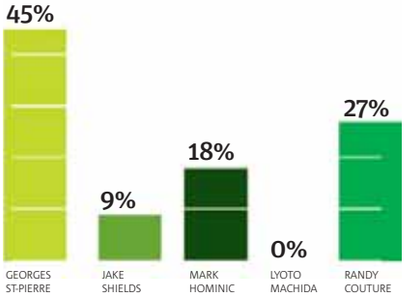
Who is the best looking UFC fighter on Saturday's card for UFC 129 in Toronto?



Local tweets

- **@kwgrace yjr:** Just gave Roger a good luck tap at Roger's Arena on the way home. Said I'd do it all series. It was time. #canucks
- **@TwoDoorCivic:** The sound of 2.5 million people holding their breath. It's deafening. #Vancouver #Game7
- **@chantasaurus:** drinking lemonade slurpee at the beach in #yvr i do not miss #yeg
- **@dantemarsh:** S/O to all my teammates puttin' that work in ... GREY CUP 2011 B.C. LIONS ...
- **@SteveNash:** Just did some hill sprints to bring Canucks luck tonight. C'mon Chitown at least I'm rooting for the Bulls ...
- **@Sumireyan:** Hey hey, Sloan will be playing The Commodore Ballroom on June 3rd!!! Who wants to go? #sloanxx #yvr
- **@garryoakgirl:** Friends in #yvr say folks have abandoned #canucks jerseys and are assuming fetal position. This is not good, unless you're a Chicago fan.
- **@Tourism_Burnaby:** Excited to welcome the Tragically Hip with Hey Rosetta to Deer Lake Park July 15!

#elxn41: Tweets

We asked: Turnout in Canadian elections can be quite low. What's a reason you wouldn't vote?

- **@jen2sen:** I am voting but really they are all the same why can't politicians work together for the greater good?
- **@megelizah:** I don't like the choices & I don't just want to pick the one I dislike the least ... So maybe I'll just spoil my ballot?
- **@timwadephul:** Ignorance. It can be really hard to find proper/unbiased information about not just party leaders, but local representatives
- **@brittanymaria:** Informed voting and political engagement is so important but I think many people feel alienated by the political parties.
- **@stevequinton:** I'm voting but if I didn't it would be because politicians are all elitist a~holes. They only care about their careers.
- **@l0r1b3nn3tt:** frustration with who to vote for. & it would be nice to vote directly for our pm instead of the way we do it in Canada.
- **@jla30:** Don't like the candidates #elxn41

Cartoon by Michael de Adder

WEIRD NEWS

Handing the keys over to a new generation

No more hieroglyphics. No more quill pen and inkwell. Now the mechanical typewriter may be on the endangered list.

The owners of the world's last remaining mechanical typewriter factory have shut the plant's doors because of declining orders, CBC News reports.

Godrej & Boyce Manufacturing Co. Ltd. has shuttered its facility in Mumbai, India, where, as recently as 2009, the company was making 12,000 mechanical typewriters per year.

"We are not getting many orders now," general manager Milind Dukle told India's Business Standard newspaper. "This might be the last chance for typewriter lovers."

Mechanical typewriters are prized in India for their ease, efficiency and durability. As many as 400 million Indians lack reliable electricity, so the devices were widely used in the courts and government bureaucracy.

The first commercial mechanical typewriter was produced in the U.S. in 1867. The devices pioneered the QWERTY keyboard layout that is now ubiquitous on personal computers and smartphones. METRO

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An idiot's guide to the Royals

Who's who in the Windsor family? Here's everything you need to know

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Her Majesty the Queen

Position: Her Royal Highness, The Queen
Who? Became Queen at 25. Head of State for the U.K. and 15 other Commonwealth realms including Canada, patron of more than 600 charities, advises the government.
Scandal: Consistently dignified, although her dislike for Princess Di was made public.

Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh

Position: Husband to The Queen
Who? Accompanies The Queen on her duties. Patron or president of 800-plus organizations.
Scandal: Infamous for embarrassing gaffes like asking an Aboriginal person whether they still throw spears on a state visit to Australia.

Camilla, Duchess of Cornwall

Position: Second wife of Prince Charles
Who? Married Charles in 2005, and supports him in his duties.
Scandal: Unglamorous but jolly second wife of Prince Charles.

Charles, Prince of Wales

Position: The Queen's oldest son
Who? Runs umbrella group of 20 charities, patron to 400.
Scandal: Had affair with his old flame Camilla Parker-Bowles, their intimate relationship revealed in phone call transcriptions in which he said he wished he were her tampon.

Princess Anne

Position: The Queen's only daughter
Who? Low-key but prolific. President of Save the Children, and patron of more than 320 organizations and charities. Has two children, Zara Philips and Peter Philips

Prince Andrew, Duke of York

Position: The Queen's middle son
Who? A Royal Navy helicopter pilot for 22 years.
Scandal: Nicknamed Randy Andy in the '80s for a string of glamorous girlfriends. Most recently his role as trade envoy is threatened by links to billionaire Jeffery Epstein convicted of underage sex.

Sarah Ferguson

Prince Edward, Earl of Wessex

Position: The Queen's youngest son
Who? An unacademic Cambridge graduate who left Royal Marines early to work in the theatre.
Scandal: Long rumoured to be gay. In 1986 his TV company produced embarrassing TV charity game show, It's a Royal Knockout.

Sophie, Countess of Wessex

Zara Philips

Diana, Princess of Wales

Position: Late ex-wife of Prince Charles
Who? Hugely popular and glamorous, committed to her daring charity work with AIDS-sufferers and anti-land-mine organizations. Divorced Charles in 1996, died in 1997.

Prince Harry

Position: Youngest son of Prince Charles
Who? Has trained as a tank commander, and currently training as a helicopter pilot with the army.
Scandal: General drunkenness, dressing as a Nazi at a fancy dress party.

Prince William

Position: Oldest son of Prince Charles
Who? Helicopter pilot for the RAF, has also followed in his mother's footsteps supporting homeless and AIDS charities.
Scandal: Relatively clean, although chastised for flying helicopter to friend's party.

Kate Middleton

Position: Fiancee of William
Who? Attractive royal bride-to-be. Worked for her parents' online party shop until her engagement.
Scandal: Allegedly her mother pushed her to attend St. Andrews University in order to meet her prince charming.

Princess Beatrice and Princess Eugenie

Position: Children
Who? Party-going student daughters often photographed falling out of high-society clubs.

Lady Louise and Viscount Severn

Position: Children
Who? Kept out of the media glare.

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Wedding tweets

Hopefully Kate and William's marriage will mark a new generation of royal marriages. Marriages in the previous generation are too-often far from happy. Three of Queen Elizabeth's four children have divorced.

Follow Weddingbells Allison McGill as she tweets live from London before, during and after the royal nuptials on Friday at metronews.ca/royalwedding

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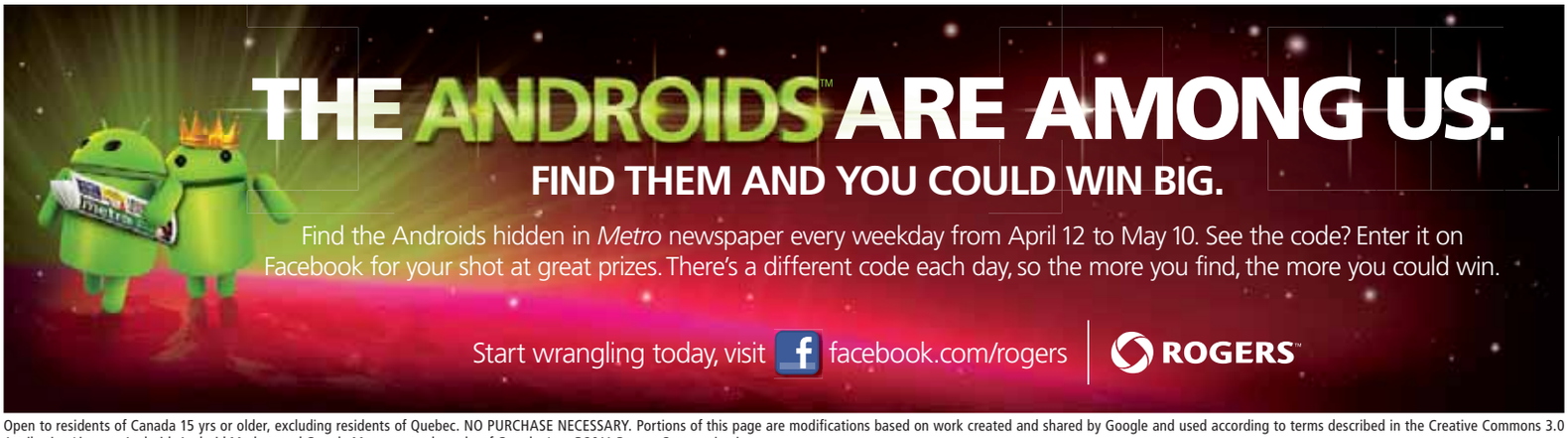
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Talking points

Aguilera tries to get past flub

A BAD JOKE Christina Aguilera is doing her best to get passed her infamous Super Bowl gaffe, during which she sang the wrong lyrics during the Star-Spangled Banner.

"That night I knew, I just made myself a Trivial Pursuit question," she tells Ellen DeGeneres. "In 2011, what female singer, ya know, flubbed the lyrics. It's just insane. But I have a really good laugh about it and you get over things. You get back up again."

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Celebrity tweets

"Avoid vexatious people."

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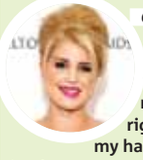

@MissKelly0

"My hearts in my mouth right now & my hands r shaking because a pap almost drove me off the road if he hit us we would of ended up in the er"

@billmaher

"Tina Fey, 5 months pregnant at 40 not showing and no one knew - boy, when she does a Sarah Palin impression, she really commits!

Lindsay will work close to dead bodies

Actress' community service to include doing time at Los Angeles coroner

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While Lindsay Lohan is facing four months behind bars, she's also been ordered to complete 480 hours of community service — and 120 of those hours around dead bodies, according to People magazine.

Lohan will spend a portion of her community service time working for the Los Angeles coroner.

"She won't be handling any dead bodies but she'll certainly see them," coroner assistant chief Ed Winter tells the magazine.

Instead, Lohan will be handling janitorial tasks like emptying trash cans and cleaning floors and bathrooms. Lohan will serve her remaining 360 community service hours at a local women's shelter.

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"She won't be handling any dead bodies."
ED WINTER, CORONER ASSISTANT

Lindsay Lohan

Nicholas Cage

Cage facing child abuse claims

After his wild night in New Orleans last week that led to his arrest, Nicolas Cage may also find himself investigated for child abuse, according to TMZ.

In the initial police report from Cage's arrest, his wife, Alice Kim, says that Cage "fell while holding their son" during their argument.

"The fall caused the five-year-old to suffer a minor abrasion to his left knee."

A witness, however, claims he saw, "Mr. Cage pull the male child to the ground by his hand."

The police report states that Kim would not let police interview her son after the incident.

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THE CHANGING WORLD OF REWARDS PROGRAMS

CANADIANS LOVE THEIR REWARDS CARDS

So much so that it is estimated that 94% of us are enrolled in some type of loyalty program, according to market researcher Colloquy.

These programs encourage or 'reward' shoppers for their continued patronage or 'loyalty', in the form of discounts or points that may be redeemed against a variety of goods and services. They also enable the retailer to track their customers' preferences and trends.

There are a great number and variety of programs, and the list is constantly growing. From specialized credit cards, to retail and grocery club cards, to free refill cards at local cafés, it seems that everyone is vying for loyalty.

Geoff Dillon, a senior director at CIBC says "Certainly one of the trends we're seeing is that people increasingly are focused on value, and they want to earn as many rewards as possible, but particularly on things they buy every day." CIBC's AeroGold card lets you accumulate 1.5 Aeroplan miles for every dollar you spend at gas, grocery and drugstores.

The key to the success of a number of these programs lies in advances in information technology. Companies are experimenting with new, compelling, high-tech methods to deliver reward programs. LoyaltyOne, the parent company of Air Miles, has just released a new mobile app for the iPhone, explains spokesperson Jeff Fredericks. "The mobile app allows you to find sponsors on the fly, check in to those sponsor locations and see what the best deals are. That has been a tremendous success for us so far."

At the same time, redeeming reward points can help stretch the budget. "We certainly saw during the downturn, that folks were turning to their reward programs to stretch that dollar further," says Fredericks. "And, it just makes sense. There are a number of reward items like gift certificates for example, that people were taking advantage of during the tough times."

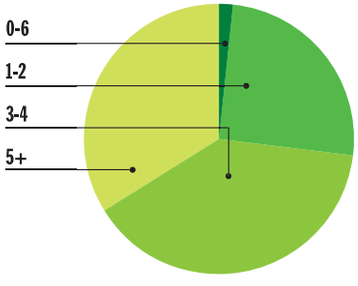
Today, there are myriad ways to redeem accumulated points. For example, Royal Bank Avion cardholders can use their points at a rate of 100 points per dollar to book a trip, hotel, or car rental. The Sears Choice Rewards Program allows customers to earn one point for every dollar spent on eligible purchases using the Sears MasterCard. A common trend is to bundle rewards through partnerships between retailers that allow shoppers to swap their points.

– By Duncan McAllister

METRO READERS & LOYALTY PROGRAMS

THE METRO LIFE PANEL WEIGHS IN ABOUT POINT COLLECTION AND REDEMPTION

HOW MANY LOYALTY & REWARDS CARDS DO YOU OWN?



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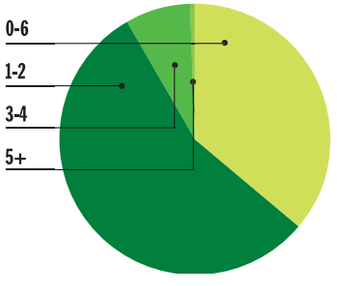

TOP 10 THINGS TO SPEND LOYALTY & REWARDS POINTS ON

1. Food
2. Gift Certificates
3. Airfare
4. Cosmetics
5. Clothing
6. Movies
7. Hotel Stays
8. Gas
9. Home Décor
10. Spas

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REWARDS BY THE NUMBERS

CARD FILES

More than 75% of consumers today have at least one loyalty card. It is estimated that one third of all shoppers have two or more cards, according to Jupiter Research.

According to a recent Leger survey, more than 80% of women belong to more than one loyalty program compared to only 69% of men, and one in four women carry at least five loyalty cards.

A Maritz marketing study found that shoppers who are young, female, with children under 18 years, are likely to carry a rewards card.

FLYER PROGRAMS

The airline industry is credited with innovating the frequent flier plans, which were the models for most modern loyalty programs, with American Airlines being one of the first in 1981.

The Air Miles reward program is Canada's largest loyalty program, founded in 1992, with more than 10 million active collector accounts, representing approximately two-thirds of all Canadian households. Air Miles can be earned at more than 100 different sponsors with a thousand different rewards to be redeemed.

In 2009, Aeroplan issued over 2.1 million rewards to its members, including 1.5 million flights on Air Canada and Star Alliance carriers. Aeroplan was originally Air Canada's frequent flyer program created in 1984.

SPENDING HABITS

Loyalty shoppers spend more money, according to a study by marketing group Maritz. They found that consumers who are enrolled in loyalty programs tend to spend more money than non-members.

Loyalty programs increase merchants' sales. In one study, it was found that a popular "baby club" was responsible for increased sales of baby products by 25% on average over six months. It also increased the amounts purchased and increased store traffic by 5%.

Almost every Canadian gas station offers some type of rewards program, such as Canadian Tire money and Petro-Canada's Petro-Points.

WHAT'S NEW

Technology is the leading enabler of rewards programs. Vendors such as RewardMe and FourSquare use QR codes, the popular, square-shaped barcodes that customers scan with their iPhone and Android after they have made a purchase, to collect rewards.

Manufacturers are getting on the rewards bandwagon with promotions that allow you to enter a code from specially marked packages and products into their websites to collect rewards.

Programs are more flexible than ever. Companies like Charity Choice allow you to redeem your points towards any of a 100 different charities from a wide range of rewards programs. Also, the Marriott Hotel Rewards program allows you to donate points to benefit the recent Japan tragedy.

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OPTIONS ABOUND FOR CLOTHING AND HOUSEWARES

Rewards programs for clothing and home furnishings used to operate like the Price is Right: you'd gain your credits and then have to spend them on whatever the store put into its Showcase Showdown. Now, it's more Who Wants to Be a Millionaire: turn points into gift cards to spend where you want.

"People prefer to go into the store and look at the 25 different kinds of toasters we may have, rather than one you'd have on the site," explains Stephanie Thornbury of the Hudson Bay Company. "They tend to redeem them for the gift cards."

She says most customers save up HBC Rewards for big ticket items like washers and dryers, but often treat themselves – or treat others at birthdays and Christmas – on the way with smaller items like coffee machines or gift cards for restaurants like Montana's or Swiss Chalet. HBC owns the Bay, Zellers, Home Outfitters and Fields, and its programs connect across the stores.

Like other credit-card tied products, the Royal Bank of Canada's deal with Visa lets members turn points into gift cards to save at retail outlets.

Andrea Shaikin, manager of RBC Rewards, says their program partners with Future Shop, Golf Town, Starbucks and others to allow customers to turn points into savings.

"People are very fond of the gift cards and being able to turn your points into a shopping trip or a gift for someone – that's grown about 20 per cent, year over year, the last two or three years," she says. "Our most popular ones are on the retail side – department stores or gas."

Turning RBC points into pre-set catalogue items like bedding, kitchen appliances and gadgets are a pragmatic way to cash in. RBC Rewards points are still primarily collected through Visa, but Shaikin says they've added a personal deposit account at the bank which can also add points. – *By Jon Tattrie*

CANADIAN TIRE MONEY

In the 1950s, Canadian Tire co-founder A.J. Billes noticed oil companies had started giving their customers toasters and dishes and he decided to offer his customers Canadian Tire money along with their regular change. The first dollar was printed in 1958. By 1961, it was printed on the same paper as regular money and now comes with many of the same anti-counterfeiting technologies. This makes it harder to fake – and makes customers reluctant to throw away bills that feel like the real thing.

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POINTS FOR JOINING

After more than a decade, cashing in PC points is still the quickest, easiest, and most fun part of being a President's Choice Financial services customer.

PC points can be redeemed for many things such as (but not limited to): Free groceries, flowers, gift cards, cosmetics, Joe Fresh Style fashions; electronics and patio furniture. They can even be donated to President's Choice Children's Charity. Customers redeem their points right at the checkout at participating supermarkets where President's Choice products are sold.

Customers earn 10 PC points for every dollar spent on purchases anywhere the PC MasterCard is accepted, and five PC points for every dollar spent with the PC Financial bank card at participating stores where President's Choice products are sold. They can first redeem at the 20,000-point level (equivalent to a $20 purchase), or higher amounts in further 10,000 point increments. There's no limit to how many PC points a customer can build up, and they never expire.

More earning opportunities can be found on the PC points Facebook page. Customers who 'like' the popular page (with over 55,000 fans and counting) can discover—and inquire about—various new contests and promotions. The page recently announced a three-day '10x Spring Ahead Event,' allowing customers spending $100 or more at selected Real Canadian Superstore locations to earn 10 times their usual PC points when using their PC Financial Mastercard or bank card.

Facebook wasn't around 10 years ago, but once it got big, PC Financial services got onboard. The PC points page is just one more example of the company listening to its customers, then adapting to their needs. That philosophy will serve it well in next the 10 years, too—bank on it.

CHARGE, EARN, REDEEM

THIS YEAR MARKS THE TENTH ANNIVERSARY OF THE PRESIDENT'S CHOICE FINANCIAL MASTERCARD IN CANADA.

Since 2001, Canadians have been using their cards for everyday purchases and earning PC points at the same time. The more they use their cards, the more PC points they earn—it's easy.

A lot of things come easy to PC Financial MasterCard holders. They receive their first 20,000 PC points in the form of coupons (equivalent to $20) just for signing up; if they sign up online, they'll earn an additional 5,000 PC points. They also enjoy a low balance transfer rate of 0.97% for six months. And when they need to pay for a product or service at places that don't accept credit cards, they can use a personalized cheque, orderable for free from PC Financial.

Cardholders save money with no annual fee. They can also save paper: Instead of having statements mailed each month, PC Financial Mastercard holders can register for electronic statements, available online at PC Financial's website; receiving e-alerts when statements are ready, and, optionally, when they're due.

All credit card information is secure. Cardholders can quickly review summaries of their accounts and recent transactions anytime at www.pcfinancial.ca, logging in with a password. Cardholders can also receive up to four additional cards on their PC Financial MasterCard accounts, personalized for family members, free of charge. For added protection, new and reissued cards come with a microchip built in.

Redeeming PC points is a snap, as always. All cardholders have to do is present their PC Financial MasterCards at the check-out at participating stores where PC products are sold, then tell the cashier they're redeeming their PC points. This is the simplicity that's kept the PC Financial MasterCard popular with Canadians for a decade and counting.

WHO WANTS TO BE A MILLIONAIRE?

President's Choice Financial services is celebrating 10 years of its PC Financial MasterCard in Canada—starting with a contest destined to make 10 winners very happy. The 'Become a PC points Millionaire' contest, running until May 30, 2011, will see 10 Canadians receive one million PC points each, joining the approximately 2,200 Canadians with a points balance of one million or more. A point total that high can be redeemed for $1,000 of free groceries, fashions, or almost any other item sold at participating Loblaw Companies Limited stores.

Existing cardholders, those wishing to apply for a PC Financial MasterCard or Canadians interested in joining the PC points millionaire club are eligible to enter the contest. Visit www.pcpointscontest.ca for details.

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Designed by Loblaw Companies Limited, President's Choice Financial provides customers with account access via Internet, telephone or bank machine—24 hours a day, seven days a week. Its banking services are provided by CIBC, saving money on overhead and passing it along to customers through the elimination of daily banking fees.

For PC Financial customers, everyday banking is a chance to earn 'PC points,' redeemable toward free groceries and thousands of other rewards in-store. Customers can also earn PC points by shopping with their PC Financial MasterCard, provided by President's Choice Bank. Both PC Financial MasterCard and PC points accounts can be accessed online.

PERFORMING JUST FOR YOU

ENTERTAINMENT IS A PERSONAL THING, AND SO ARE LOYALTY PROGRAMS.

As some of Canada's biggest entertainment providers have learned, the personal touch scores major points with customers.

"At Indigo Books and Music, people want to be rewarded for everything they purchase from us," says Jennifer Hale, VP, Loyalty & CRM. "Our response is 'plum rewards.'"

Plum rewards members earn 10 points for almost every dollar spent on items in-store, plus up to five per cent off books purchased at chapters.indigo.ca, and there's no fee to join. When they log on to their accounts, they review promotional offers and information about special shopping events, along with book and product recommendations, personalized to them. The more open-minded customers are, the more plum rewards can help.

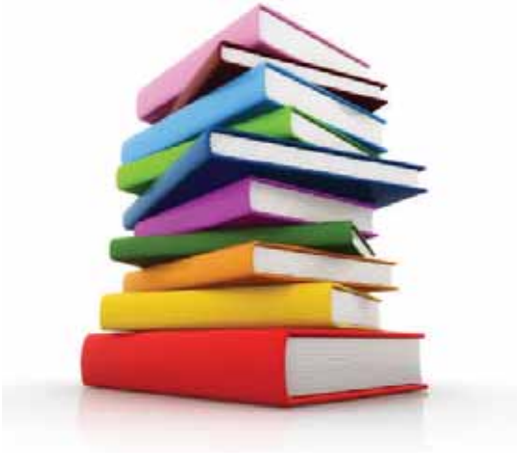
The same is true for SCENE, the loyalty program offered jointly by Cineplex and Scotiabank. Members make purchases with a SCENE card (there are several kinds), earning points and redeeming them for movie tickets and much more.

"Our members love to go out—and they want all the value they can get from a loyalty program," says general manager, Shawn Bloom. SCENE keeps up with them on Facebook and Twitter, and through its new Cineplex app, allowing members to check points balances anywhere and earn SCENE points for all mobile transactions. With the app, they don't need to carry a card at all.

Like SCENE, HMV Canada's 'purehmv' program serves an active membership. "Our members are all passionate about entertainment, but their spending habits vary," says Benjamin Sadeh, manager, customer rewards. "So we created a range of redemption options. We have items valued as low as 3,500 points and as high as 1.2 million."

Customers with a purehmv card earn 100 points for every dollar they spend on HMV products in-store or online, redeeming them for new products, memorabilia, in-store discounts, or for entry in Members Only contests.

What members want, members get. – *By Chris Edwards*



GREAT WAYS TO RACK UP YOUR REWARD POINTS

1. Figure out which programs you're more likely to use. Line them up with your interests.
2. Spend strategically. Use a few loyalty programs otherwise your points will accumulate slowly.
3. Look for cards with bonus point promotions.
4. Make sure your annual credit card fees aren't more than what you redeem your points for.
5. Charge all your monthly expenses, including if you can, utility bills, insurance payments, rent or even your mortgage payment.
6. Offer to use your card to purchase big ticket items for family or friends to earn the rewards.

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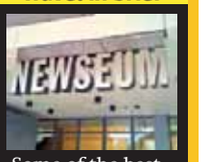

Some of the best pictures from the news in 2010, including award-winning images from Haiti and the Gulf oil spill, are going on display at the Newseum in Washington.

The Pictures of the Year exhibit opens Friday with nearly 70 images. The Newseum says it includes Lady Gaga's first appearance in a Washington museum. There are also images from the Winter Olympics, flood-ravaged Pakistan and the front lines in Afghanistan.

The museum about news created the exhibit with the Pictures of the Year International contest at the Donald W. Reynolds Journalism Institute at the Missouri School of Journalism.

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Presley, Ali photos tell stories of two American icons at Pennsylvania museum

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▶ The cold waters of the Pacific teem with colour and life under the surface in British Columbia. Some of the most beautiful parts of the province lie under the surface of the ocean, say divers, who come from around the world to explore the colourful marine life and underwater creatures that call the Pacific home.

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Go explore B.C's underwater wonders

Canada's West Coast beauty is not limited to forests and mountains The water may be cold, but it's worth it

From a crevice on the ocean floor, the prehistoric-looking face of a wolf eel emerges from the darkness, all bulging eyes and warts bobbing toward the camera.

Most divers off the coast of British Columbia consider an encounter with these puckered creatures one of the highlights of plying the waters off the West Coast of Canada. Sometimes called the "puppies" of the sea, described as among the friendliest creatures to be encountered in the wild, eager to cuddle at popular dive sites where they have become accustomed to visitors from above the surface.

"They look mean, they look ugly but, just as long as you're careful, you can actually go and touch them, they will snuggle with you," says Paul Kennell, creator of CoolDives.com, a website dedicated to diving off the B.C. coast.

If you go ...

- Tourism British Columbia's website (hellobc.com) includes information on diving in the province, diving tours and practical tips for planning a vacation.
- CoolDives.com has information and online bookings for scuba diving trip.
- Dive.BC.ca is another website that has great information, photos and videos to help plan a trip.

"They're funny looking things but they're pretty gentle, generally."

Kennell, 47, of White Rock, B.C., has explored oceans around the world in his 15 years of diving but reserves his best reviews for his home waters. The tropics are warmer, says Kennell, "but the diving is also nowhere near as exciting."

Lore has it that famed underwater explorer Jacques Cousteau proclaimed the waters off the coast of British Columbia the best cold-water diving in the world. Scuba Diving Magazine readers chose B.C. the No. 1 diving site in North America last year.

"The diving around B.C. is amongst the best in the world," agrees Greg Dombowsky, curator of Dive.BC.ca and author of the Divers Guide Vancouver Island South.

The waters off the B.C. coast boast the giant Pacific octopus, the biggest sea stars and forests of giant sponges. Under the surface, the water teems with a rainbow of life, including anemones, sea cucumbers and coral.

"There isn't a square inch of rock that you can touch that doesn't have colour on it," says Kennell.

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The forgotten wonder

Waterton Lakes National Park in Alberta has the beauty of Jasper and Banff without the huge crowds Is Canada's fourth national park

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▶ Cameron Lake in Waterton Lakes National Park. Waterton attracts 400,000 visitors a year and is a favourite location for hikers.

When it comes to tourist destinations, Waterton Lakes National Park may very well be Canada's best-kept secret.

Tucked away in the southwestern corner of Alberta, 180 kilometres from Calgary, Waterton attracts just 400,000 visitors a year despite the fact it is a UNESCO World Heritage Site, an International Peace Park and a Biosphere Reserve.

There are wildflowers and wildlife galore and the snowcapped Rocky Mountains suddenly rise out of the rolling Prairies as you arrive.

Waterton was Canada's fourth national park, created in 1895 and named after Waterton Lake. The lake is named after Victorian naturalist and conservationist Charles Waterton.

The park contains 505 square kilometres of rugged mountains and wilderness and is seriously off the beaten path.

"When I first moved to Alberta and moved to Waterton, nobody knew where it was and that includes people in Calgary. I would do trade shows. I was selling Waterton because nobody knew where it was," said Shameer Suleman, vice-president of the Waterton Chamber of Commerce.

The one thing that Waterton offers that Banff, Lake Louise and even Jasper National Parks cannot is peace and quiet.

That means it is the perfect getaway, especially for those wanting to spend time in a more tranquil setting.

"When I'm talking to a potential employee, I say it's what Banff was 30 or 40 years ago or Whistler was 30 or 40 years ago," said Suleman. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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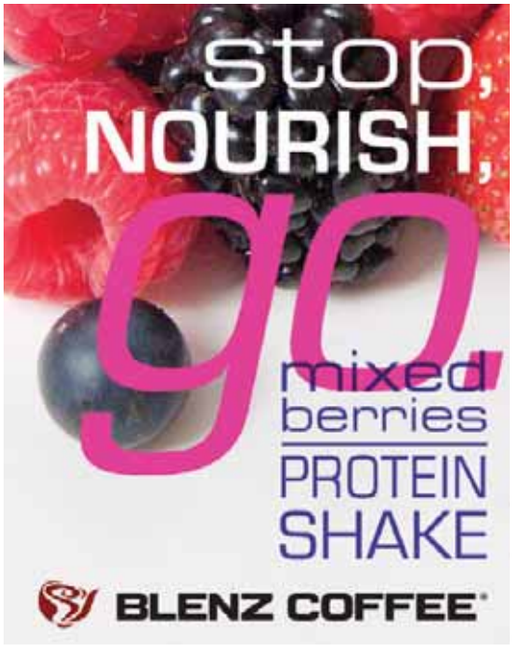

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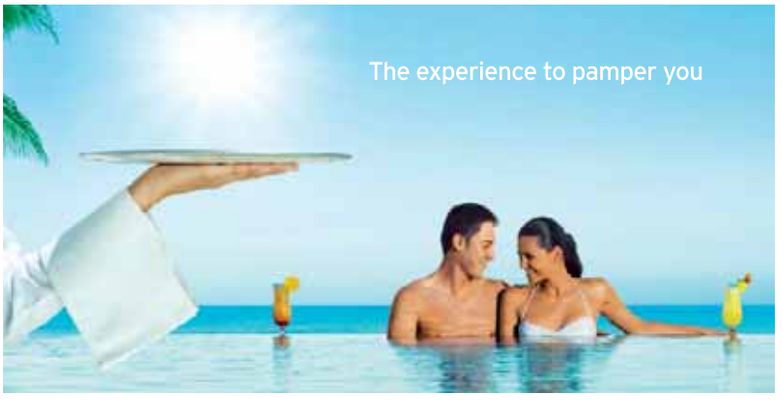

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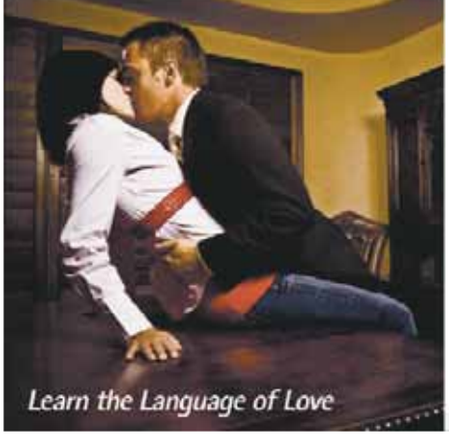

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This Salmon with Pesto and Cream Cheese is an easy and delicious way to serve salmon.

I prefer to use homemade pesto, which has fewer calories and less fat than store-bought pesto.

Preparation:

1. Preheat oven to 425°F. Line rimmed baking sheet with foil and coat with cooking spray.
2. For pesto, place all ingredients in the bowl of a food processor and purée until smooth. Add more water if too thick.
3. Combine cream cheese and pesto in a small bowl until smooth.
4. Make small vertical slit on the top of each salmon fillet to within 1/4 inch of each end and about 1/2 inch deep. Stuff each fillet by dividing the pesto filling between the 6 fillets.
5. Arrange spinach, cucumber and olives on a large serving platter. Top with roasted vegetables.
6. Place on the prepared baking sheet and bake for 10 minutes per inch of thickness. Garnish with toasted nuts before serving.

Ingredients:

- 1 1/2 lb salmon fillet, cut into 6 fillets (about 4 oz. each)
- 1/4 cup low-fat cream cheese (about 2 oz), softened
- 2 Tbsp pesto
- 2 Tbsp toasted pine nuts (or almonds)

Pesto

- 1 cup fresh basil leaves
- 2 Tbsp grated Parmesan cheese
- 1 Tbsp toasted pine nuts
- 2 Tbsp light cream cheese, softened
- 1 tsp finely chopped garlic
- 3 Tbsp chicken stock (or vegetable stock or water)
- 2 Tbsp olive oil

Warm Spinach Salad

This salad must be served warm so the cheese softens over the warmed mushrooms. Use any variety of mushroom. The key is to cook them on a medium-high heat until all moisture evaporates.

Preparation:

1. Lightly coat a nonstick skillet with cooking spray and sauté mushrooms over medium heat for about 8 minutes, or just until no longer wet and slightly browned. Keep warm.
2. Prepare dressing by whisking olive oil, balsamic vinegar, mayo, honey, garlic, mustard, salt and pepper.
3. Place spinach, sautéed mushrooms and Asiago in a serving bowl. Pour dressing over salad and toss. Serve immediately. ROSE REISMAN

Ingredients:

Salad

- 3 cups oyster mushrooms, sliced in half
- 8 cups baby spinach
- 1/2 cup shredded Asiago (or Parmesan) cheese

Dressing

- 2 Tbsp olive oil
- 1 Tbsp balsamic vinegar
- 1 Tbsp light mayonnaise
- 2 tsp honey
- 1/2 tsp finely chopped garlic
- 1/2 tsp Dijon mustard
- pinch of salt and pepper

Green dreams do come true

The WWF is handing out up to $5000 in grant money to any school willing and ready to prioritize the planet

AWWF is helping to grow young environmental leaders across Canada with its Green CommUnity School Grants Program, made possible by Loblaw Companies Limited. With six rounds of funding over three years, schools can apply each spring and winter season through 2012 for grants of up to $5,000 for anything and everything from a bicycle repair shop to a biodiversity garden. The program is open to any student or teacher with a green dream for their school or community.

Looking for some inspiration for what your school can do? Chances are you don't need to look any further than your own community. These grants have funded 59 projects to date in communities small and large, from P.E.I. to the Northwest Territories.

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▶ Initiatives are popping up in every province. Apply for funding at wwf.ca/greencommunitygrants .

Hampton High in New Brunswick, for example, created a sustainable fishing and angling club. Teacher and project lead Hardy Cameron calls it an education in sustainability using fishing as the hook to engage students.

Projects are springing up in Canada's western provinces as well. Tom Baines School in Calgary, Alberta, has done some amazing work since deciding to perform a garbage audit a few months ago. The audit showed where the school could improve its current recycling program and the grant will help purchase super–sorter, multi–compartment bins that allow more effective separation of plastics, paper and bottles or cans.

Another great result of the Green CommUnity School Grants Program sprouts directly from its source. The program is supported by partial proceeds from Loblaw Companies' national charge–for–plastic shopping bag program, which both funds green initiatives and helps reduce the number of plastic shopping bags in landfills.

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Go ahead, apply!

Apply for a Green CommUnity School Grant online at wwf.ca/greencommunitygrants.

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Book paints a bleak portrait of the world of unpaid internships Shows little to no regulation of process

Charlie Sheen's tweet for an intern summoned 82,148 people hoping to serve the warlock.

As internships go, at least it's a paid gig with a real job description: eight weeks helping the actor with social media at $10 an hour.

That's more than many interns get, said Ross Perlin, who leaps into the fray over internships in a new book, Intern Nation: How to Earn Nothing and Learn Little in the Brave New Economy (Verso Books).

"The Charlie Sheen thing, it's the most competitive internship ever," Perlin told The Associated Press in an interview. "The most sought after, and it sort of beautifully sums up the absurdity of what's going on with this incredible explosion of internships."

Perlin views the competition for internships among college kids and even jobless grads and high schoolers, as not only absurd, but even legally questionable when measured against labour laws governing internships.

Perlin, himself a paychequeless but satisfied intern a few years ago, estimates that roughly one to two million people take the resumé-burnishing gigs every year in the United States, with more around the globe.

Three-quarters of about 10 million students at four-year colleges and universities in the U.S. take at least one internship before graduating, according to the College Employment Research Institute.

Interns permeate most every corner of the economy, from Disney World to Capitol Hill, the Fortune 500 to the non-profit sector, Main Street to Silicon Valley. They fetch coffee, clean toilets and staple, but they also do more substantive work for little or no pay, Perlin said.

Perlin estimates that a third to a half of all interns go unpaid. "It's the only major category of work that I know of that is not tracked at all by the Bureau of Labor Statistics," Perlin said.

"Nobody's paying attention."

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"Chrysler Group and its brands do not tolerate inappropriate language or behaviour, and apologize to anyone who may have been offended by this communication."

So read Chrysler's press release following the dismissal of an employee at its public relations firm who mistakenly tweeted on Chrysler's account that no one in Detroit knows how to drive.

In many respects, that example signals a growing trend: employees tweeting "casually" about their lives not realizing that what they say on Twitter has workplace-related consequences. Here are some common areas of concern.

* Spending an inordinate amount of time using Twitter at work for non-business-related purposes is tantamount to theft of an employer's time, which can be cause for dismissal.

* Comments posted on Twitter can link the author to her employer, even though no connection is intended. Contact information on Twitter accounts often includes a place of work, and therefore employees who tweet objectionable or defamatory material may be mistakenly perceived as having done so for their employer, which is exactly what happened in the Chrysler case above. Because of this, employers have a right to monitor their employees' tweets, even when they are made outside of business hours.

* Criminal laws can also be invoked if employees harass or intimidate coworkers through Twitter. These employees can end up surfing the classifieds for a criminal defence lawyer, as well as for a new job. Further, since courts have used blog or Facebook posts as grounds to uphold discipline, they will have little difficulty construing tweets in the same manner.

* Also, unlike general Internet use, which is private, Twitter posts do not simply disappear. Tweets containing offensive comments, pictures or links to stories become incontrovertible evidence of an employee's behaviour. Like an email, a tweet can be traced back to the originator, long after the fact.

* If employees share or mistakenly share confidential corporate information, this too could be cause for dismissal.

In light of the foregoing, Twitter addicts should beware.

While there are no current judgments considering the propriety of a dismissal for Twitter use, as Twitter's popularity continues to rise, so will the number of ex-employees looking for new work, along with seeing their names on the front of one of my statements of claim.

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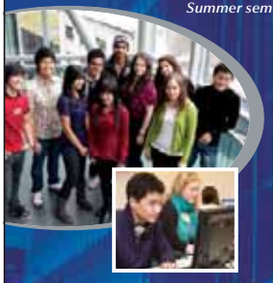

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Engine options

All three of the Durango's trim levels — SXT, Crew Plus and Citadel — arrive with a 290-horsepower 3.6-litre V6.

Available on all but the base model is a 360-horsepower 5.7-litre "Hemi" V8 that deactivates half of its cylinders under cruise, coast and deceleration conditions, helping it achieve fuel-economy ratings of 16.6 l/100 km in city driving and 10.1 on the highway.

More space

Modifications on the 2011 Durango include extending the distance between the front and rear wheels by nearly 13 centimetres and overall length by 25 centimetres to allow space for a third-row seat.

The new Durango is now closely similar to the previous version, but is much easier to enter and exit due to its considerably less truck-like ride height.

Towing

Towing capacities will give the Durango's competitors a run for their money, especially V8 models that can pull up to 3,265 kilograms worth of boat, horse or vacation trailer.

V6 units offer a 2,800-kilogram towing capacity, which is more than the old Durango's base 3.7-litre V6 or optional 4.7-litre V8.

All-wheel-drive is standard, but exact system depends on engine choice.

▶ Although it's on the same platform as the new Jeep Grand Cherokee, the Dodge Durango does a great job of being its own big wagon. How can you not love the styling?

By comparison

Chevrolet Traverse AWD
Base price: $40,300
Comparable to Durango in size and fuel economy, but lacks a V8 option.

Ford Explorer 4WD
Base price: $34,550
New-for-'11 model also loses its truck frame. A thrifty turbo I4 is optional.

Mazda CX-9 AWD
Base price: $40,100
Sharply styled model specializes in behaving like a sedan on the road.

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Dodge's wagon applies for reinstatement into SUV club

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Once left for dead, the Dodge Durango has made a surprising comeback for 2011, after a two-year absence.

Still, it faces an uncertain future as steadily rising fuel costs could derail its return before it really gets off the ground.

Chrysler has redesigned or reformulated most of its 2011 product lineup and nowhere is that more evident than in the Durango.

The model was considered dead and buried by late 2008, but clearly Dodge had other plans.

They included building the big sport ute on a modified Jeep Grand Cherokee platform that's also being employed in the next-generation Mercedes-Benz M-Class.

The redesign has resulted in the best-looking Durango since the brand's 1998-model-year arrival.

Certainly there will always be a need for the power and passenger capacity offered by the Dodge Durango. However it remains to be seen if a two-year absence will affect its ability to make friends among the changing New World Order of sport ute fanatics.

▶ A rear view of the Dodge Durango.

▶ Overall, interior quality has taken a dramatic turn for the better in the Durango's class of vehicle, with tighter gaps and fanatical attention to detail.

Dodge Durango

What you should know about the 2011 Dodge Durango:

- **Types:** Four-door, all-wheel-drive, seven-passenger sport utility vehicle.
- **Engine (hp):** 3.6-litre DOHC V6 (290); 5.7-litre OHV V8 (360).
- **Transmission:** Five-speed automatic.
- **Points:** Rejuvenated model the most attractive Durango yet; Base V6 stronger that previous model's base V6 and V8 powerplants.
- **Stats:** L/100 km (city/hwy) 13.0/8.9 (3.6).

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4 sports

Sports in brief

1 The Orlando Magic stayed alive in the playoffs with a 101-76 win over the Atlanta Hawks.

2 L.A.'s Andre Ethier set a major league record by extending his hitting streak to 23 games, the longest ever in April.

3 The Montreal Canadiens beat the Boston Bruins 2-1 to stay alive in the NHL playoffs.

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A city exhales as Canucks win

- Burrows' goals prevent most embarrassing meltdown in franchise history
- Vancouver advances to second-round to face Nashville Predators

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▶ Roberto Luongo, left, joins his teammates in celebrating their defeat of the Blackhawks last night.

Alex Burrows scored his second goal of the night at 5:22 of overtime to give the Vancouver Canucks a thrilling 2-1 victory over the Chicago Blackhawks in Game 7 of their NHL playoff series last night.

Burrows intercepted a pass from Chicago defenceman Chris Campoli and blasted a shot past Blackhawk goaltender Corey Crawford. He was then mobbed by his teammates.

The Blackhawks forced overtime when captain Jonathan Toews scored short handed with just under two minutes left in the game.

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Burrows scored the game's first goal at 2:43 of the first period.

Vancouver looked to have the game sealed when Chicago defenceman Duncan Keith was called for hooking at 16:43 of the third.

A Burrows turnover resulted in Toews splitting the Vancouver defence, then dishing off a pass to Marian Hossa. Vancouver goaltender Roberto Luongo stopped Hossa's shot, but Toews got the rebound and beat Luongo for his first goal of the playoffs.

The nail-baiting game was a fitting ending to a tense Western Conference quarter-final series that saw Vancouver take a 3-0 lead only to see the Blackhawks fight off elimination three times.

A sellout crowd of 18,860 sent up a deafening roar after the overtime goal. It was the most emotion felt at Rogers Arena since Canada won the gold medal at the 2010 Winter Olympics.

Mixed in with the cheers were huge sighs of relief.

Burrows had a chance to score another goal 21 seconds into the third period on a penalty shot but missed.

It's still a long road to the Stanley Cup, but beating the Hawks was a huge first step for the Canucks.

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Great dates

A look at some highs of Vancouver Canucks playoff history.

- **April 13, 1975:** Canucks appear in NHL playoffs for the first time since joining NHL in 1970. Lose 6-2 to Montreal Canadiens in Game 1 of quarter-final series.
- **April 10, 1982:** Canucks win first playoff series, beat Calgary Flames 3-0 in Smythe Division semifinal.
- **April 29, 1982:** Coach Roger Neilson hangs a white towel on a hockey stick to protest calls against his team in a 4-1 loss to the Chicago Blackhawks during Campbell Conference championship. Starts tradition of fans waving white towels at playoff games. Canucks win series 4-1 and advance to first Stanley Cup final against New York Islanders.
- **April 30, 1994:** Pavel Bure scores in overtime for a 4-3 win against Calgary as Canucks win Game 7 of Western Conference quarter-final. Vancouver had trailed 3-1 in series, but battled to win three overtime games.
- **May 24, 1994:** Greg Adams scores 14 seconds into second overtime to give Canucks 4-3 win over Toronto Maple Leafs in Western Conference final. Canucks advance to second Stanley Cup final against New York Rangers.
- **April 22, 2003:** Canucks beat St. Louis Blues 4-1 in Game 7 of Western Conference quarter-final to advance past the first round of the playoffs for first time since 1995.

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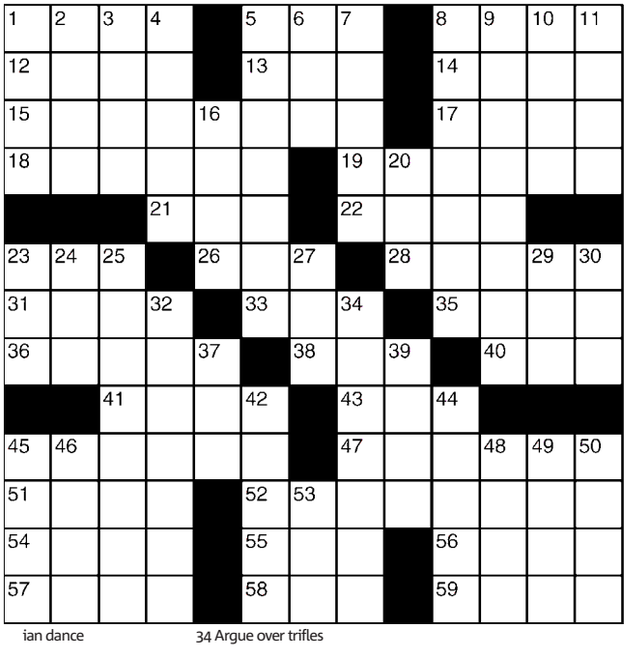

Across

1 Disarray
5 Drunkard
8 MacDonald's place
12 Year-end celebration
13 Lawyers' org.
14 Dunkable treat
15 Hiker's energy source
17 Bellow
18 Mingle (with)
19 Sequentially
21 Pitching stat
22 Replaces divots
23 Fool
26 Wet wriggler
28 Handle skillfully
31 Comestibles
33 Lair
35 Inside picture?
36 Potato, for one
38 Have a bug
40 That woman
41 Harvest
43 Mai — (cocktail)
45 Asian capital
47 Buccaneer
51 Brewery products
52 Temporary solution
54 French meat entree
55 Trojans' sch.
56 Sea eagle
57 Charon's river
58 "A mouse!"
59 Iditarod team

Down

1 Legend
2 Modern money
3 Thick chunk
4 River through Paris
5 Did a springy Brazilian dance
6 Japanese sash
7 Urban fleet
8 New Jersey base
9 Wake-up calls
10 Ca-boose's place
11 Early hours
16 Traditional tales
20 Promptly
23 Astern
24 Not worth a —
25 AA goal
27 Meadow
29 — -di-dah
30 Coloring agent
32 Discard
34 Argue over trifles
37 "Norma —"
39 Secular
42 Irritate
44 Annoyed
45 Sailors
46 Greatly
48 Roundish do
49 Chime sound
50 Former partners
53 Work with

▶ Yesterday's answer

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Yesterday's answer ▶

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♈ Aries March 21-April 20 You need to be a lot more flexible, especially in your career.

♉ Taurus April 21-May 21 The emotional bruises you get today will be balanced by the knowledge that they're helping you in some way.

♊ Gemini May 22-June 21 You will have a profound effect on those around you today.

♋ Cancer June 22-July 22 You will tempted to have words with those who only seem to complain. Why don't you?

♌ Leo July 23-Aug.23 Put your mind to it and you'll find ways to make sense of something that didn't make sense before.

♍ Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 It's okay to be outspoken but don't expect others to just sit there and take it.

♎ Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 Make an effort to get along with others. You'll accomplish a lot.

♏ Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 Stop trying to make it appear as if you're in control of every and every situation.

♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 There seems to be tension in the air. You need to defuse the situation. Start by not judging.

♑ Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 Maybe it's time to start looking around for new opportunities. Your talent is in demand.

♒ Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18 Today, you'll have the energy to get things done quickly.

♓ Pisces Feb. 19-March 20. Be honest with loved ones today, even at the risk of upsetting them. SALLY BROMPTON

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